

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Nissen : Paper No:  
Serial No. 10/520,173 : Group Art Unit: 1794  
Filed: July 21, 2005 : Examiner: Corbin  
Customer 26874 Attorney 0114229/0556833  
No. Docket No. P 02 081  
For: CHEWING GUM HAVING IMPROVED RELEASE OF CHEWING GUM INGREDIENTS

**AMENDMENT and RESPONSE**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexander, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action, dated October 22, 2008, please consider the following remarks. This Amendment is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) for the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request this response be considered by the Examiner and a timely Notice of Allowance issued in this application.

Also submitted concurrently is a petition for a two month extension to extend the time for response from January 22, 2009 to March 22, 2009. Payment for the required amount for the extension and RCE is by authorized credit card. The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Frost Brown Todd LLC Deposit Account No. 06-2226.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks and discussion** begin on page 7 of this paper.